



# Boating Facilities Program

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Washington's waterways are a national and international treasure, serving as a source of beauty, transportation, and economy, among many other things.

Plying those waterways are more than 250,000 registered boats, 80 percent of which are registered in western Washington. Ensuring that the appropriate services are provided for boaters is essential to preserving the recreational and commercial boating industry of Washington.



## Purpose

The Boating Facilities Program was created in 1965 by a voter-approved initiative. The program provides grants for projects that acquire, develop, and renovate boating facilities, including launching ramps, transient moorage, and support facilities on both freshwater and saltwater.

## Accomplishments

Since 1965, the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation has awarded more than \$86 million to local and state governments for 552 projects statewide to accommodate boaters. In addition, the program has completed studies and plans, such as an inventory of public boat launch ramps in the state, which was then posted to the agency's Web site at: [www.iac.wa.gov/maps](http://www.iac.wa.gov/maps). Grant recipients have contributed another \$56 million or a 35 percent match of the total project costs.

## Where Does the Money Come From?

A portion of the motor vehicle gasoline tax paid by boaters and not reclaimed by them as allowed by law.

## Grant Evaluation Process

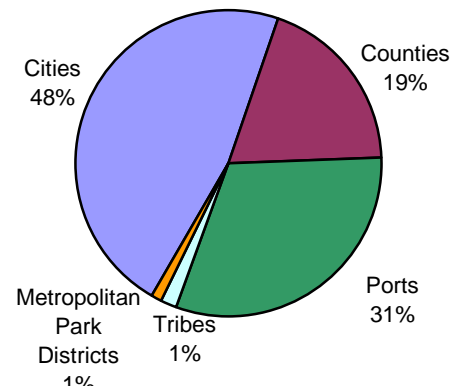
Funding is divided equally between state and local agency projects. Applications are evaluated in a competitive process by a team of boating representatives. A prioritized list of state agency projects is included in the biennial capital budget but does not require legislative approval. Local agency projects are evaluated and funded annually.

## Who Can Apply for a Grant?

- Local governments
  - Cities, counties, towns
  - Districts: port, park, and public utility
- Tribes
- State agencies

Local and tribal government grant recipients must provide at least 33 percent matching funds in either cash or in-kind contributions.

**Projects by Recipient**  
**Percent of 304 Grants to Local Entities**  
**1965-2004**



## Grant Recipients

Aberdeen	Port of Douglas	Langley	Raymond
Port of Allyn	County	Lewis County	Renton
Anacortes	Port of Edmonds	Lincoln County	Richland
Port of Anacortes	Port of Eglon	Longview	Port of Ridgefield
Asotin County	Everett	Port of Manchester	San Juan County
Bainbridge Island	Port of Everett	Manson	Seattle
Bellevue	Franklin County	Maple Valley	Port of Seattle
Bellingham	Port of Friday	Marysville	Sedro Woolley
Port of Bellingham	Harbor	Medical Lake	Port of Silverdale
Benton County	Gig Harbor	Mercer Island	Skagit County
Bremerton	Port of Grapeview	Metaline	Port of Skagit
Port of Bremerton	Port of Grays	Moses Lake	County
Bridgeport	Harbor	Mountlake Terrace	Skamania County
Port of Brownsville	Hoquiam	Oak Harbor	Port of Skamania
Port of Burlington	Port of Hoodspout	Ocean Shores	Snohomish County
Camas	Port of Ilwaco	Okanogan County	South Bend
Port of Camas-	Island County	Olympia	Port of South
Washougal	Ione	Port of Olympia	Whidbey Island
Castle Rock	Port of Kalama	Oroville	Tacoma
Chelan	Kalispel Indian	Pacific County	Tacoma Metropolitan
Port of Chelan	Tribe	Pateros	Park District
County	Kenmore	Pierce County	Thurston County
Clallam County	Kennewick	Port of Peninsula	Tumwater
Clark County	Kent	Port Angeles	Vancouver
Port of Clarkston	King County	Port of Port	Port of Wahkiakum
Port of Columbia	Port of Kingston	Angeles	County
Colville Confederated	Kirkland	Port Orchard	Wenatchee
Tribes	Kitsap County	Port Townsend	West Richland
Cowlitz County	Kittitas County	Port of Port	Whatcom County
Coulee City	Port of Klickitat	Townsend	Port of Whitman
Coupeville	La Conner	Poulsbo	County
Cusick	Lacey	Port of Poulsbo	
Des Moines	Lake Stevens	Prosser	